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PARIS FOR UNESCO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AORG, IS, UNESCO

SUBJECT:US MOVES ON EUROPEAN REGIONAL GROUP ISSUE AT
SEPTEMBER UNESCO EXBD.

FOR SISCO FROM BLAKE: REQUEST YOU GIVE EXECUTE ON THIS
AND COMPANION INSTRUCTION TO CAIRO

1. YOU SHOULD INFORM FOREIGN MINISTRY AT HIGH LEVEL THAT
US IS CONSIDERING LAUNCHING MOVES AT UNESCO EXBD,
SEPTEMBER 15-OCT 10, TO HELP PAVE THE WAY FOR ISRAELI
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INCLUSION IN THE EUROPEAN REGIONAL GROUP (ERG) AT THE

19TH GC. WE ENVISAGE THIS AS FIRST STEP IN OUR EFFORTS TO CORRECT THE ANTI-ISRAELI ACTIONS TAKEN AT 18TH GC, AS MANDATED BY CONGRESS LAST DECEMBER.

2. DEPARTMENT IS EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF WORKING FOR A RESOLUTION WHICH WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE 19TH GC THAT ALL MEMBERS BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN UNESCO REGIONAL ACTIVITIES AND THAT WHILE NOT MENTIONING ISRAEL BY NAME WOULD CLEARLY BE AN INDICATION OF EXBD'S WILLINGNESS THAT ISRAEL BE INCLUDED IN A REGIONAL GROUP. WE ARE DISCUSSING MATTER WITH FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS AND ARE ALSO SEEKING REACTIONS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES ON THE EXBD WHO HAD OPPOSED ISRAELI MEMBERSHIP IN ERG OR ABSTAINED ON THE ISSUE BEFORE. WE HOPE THIS LATTER GROUP COULD BE PERSUADED TO ABSTAIN

AND/OR NOT TO ACTIVELY WORK AGAINST THE RESOLUTION.

3. PROPOSED TEXT OF RESOLUTION IS: "RECALLING THAT RESOLUTION 46.1 ADOPTED BY THE 18TH GENERAL CONFERENCE RECOGNIZED THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE WHEREBY EVERY MEMBER STATE HAS THE RIGHT AND DUTY TO PARTICIPATE FULLY AND REGULARLY IN THE ORGANIZATION'S REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES, SHARING THE BELIEF OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD THAT A GOAL OF THE ORGANIZATION IS THE EQUALITY OF PARTICIPATION OF MEMBER STATES, ENDORSING THE STATEMENTS MADE BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL CONCERNING THE NEED FOR UNIVERSALITY MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND CONSENSUS, DESIROUS OF HELPING TO INSURE THAT ALL MEMBERS ARE ABLE TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT AND PERFORM THE DUTY OF PARTICIPATING IN THE ORGANIZATION'S REGIONAL ACTIVITIES, RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL CONFERENCE THAT AT ITS 19TH SESSION IT TAKE STEPS TO INSURE THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE EMPOWERED TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN REGIONAL ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THE REPRESENTATIVE CHARACTER OF STATES IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR." RESOLUTION WOULD BE INTRODUCED UNDER THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 3 ENTITLED "METHODS OF WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION."

4. YOU SHOULD ALSO TELL ISRAELI OFFICIALS THAT WE WILL KEEP THEM INFORMED OF PROGRESS AND REACTIONS TO THIS
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ISSUE. ISRAELIS VIEWS ON US INITIATIVE AT UNESCO EXBD WOULD BE WELCOME.

5. EMB TEL AVIV SHOULD NOT ACT ON THIS MESSAGE UNTIL IT RECEIVES EXECUTE FROM SECRETARY'S PARTY. ROBINSON

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